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SUBJ: LICENSE PURCHASES BY U.S. FISHING BOATS

REF: A. QUITO 987; B. STATE 30655; C. QUITO 995; D. QUITO 989

1. THERE IS WIDESPREAD MISCONCEPTION HERE THAT IT IS THE DELIBERATE POLICY OF THE USG TO DISCOURAGE BUYING OF LICENSES BY US-FLAG VESSELS WISHING TO FISH IN ECUADOREAN-CLAIMED WATERS. (SEE, FOR EXAMPLE, PARA 3 OF REF D REPORTING FEBRUARY 10 EDITORIAL BY QUITO DAILY EL TIEMPO.)

2. WE BELIEVE THAT A STATEMENT ISSUED HERE BY EMBASSY SETTING STRAIGHT USG POLICY ON LICENSE QUESTION COULD HAVE IMPORTANT IMPACT ON BOTH OFFICIAL AND NON-OFFICIAL ECUADOREAN ATTITUDES.

3. EMBASSY THEREFORE REQUESTS AUTHORITY TO ISSUE STATEMENT ALONG FOLLOWING LINES BASED ON REFERENCE B. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF SUCH AUTHORITY COULD BE GRANTED BEFORE COB FEBRUARY 20.

4. BEGIN TEXT: IN VIEW OF A NUMBER OF ARTICLES WHICH HAVE APPEARED RECENTLY ON THE SUBJECT OF UNITED STATES
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GOVERNMENT POLICY TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF ECUADOREAN

FISHING LICENSES BY UNITED STATES-FLAG FISHING VESSELS,
THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WISHES TO
ISSUE THE FOLLOWING CLARIFICATION. THE POLICY OF THE
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WITH RESPECT TO PURCHASE OF
LICENSES IS THAT THIS IS STRICTLY A MATTER FOR DECISION
BY VESSEL OWNERS AND OPERATORS AND IT HAS NOT BEEN THE
POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO INTERFERE IN
ANY WAY WITH THESE DECISIONS. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
UNITED STATES TUNA INDUSTRY HAVE BEEN INFORMED OF THE
FOREGOING UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT POSITION ON NUMEROUS
OCCASIONS IN THE PAST. END TEXT.
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